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## **PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

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### **MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>**

**Meeting Date:** September 27, 2001  
**Meeting Time:** 10:00 A.M.  
**Meeting Place:** State House, 200 W. Washington St.,  
Room 233  
**Meeting City:** Indianapolis, Indiana  
**Meeting Number:** 2

**Members Present:** Sen. Thomas Wyss, Chairperson; Sen. Charles Meeks; Sen. Mark Blade; Rep. Tiny Adams; Rep. Robert Cherry; Rep. C. Michael Herndon.

**Members Absent:** Sen. John Broden; Rep. David Crooks.

#### **I. Call to Order**

The Public Safety Matters Evaluations Committee was called to order at approximately 10:00 A.M. by the Chair, Senator Thomas Wyss. He pointed out that this meeting was rescheduled after the first was cancelled due to the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The Chair explained that the Committee is charged with reviewing the Indiana State Police (ISP) and that the review of the State Fire Marshal will be delayed until next year. The Chair stated that there will be two more meetings for the Committee this year.

#### **II. Legislative Services Agency**

The first order of business was a presentation conducted by the Indiana Legislative Service Agency (LSA) on its report, "Issues Relating to the Indiana State Police." LSA staff explained that the presentation was an overview, and focused on highlights of the report.

The presentation included the following topics relating to the ISP: 1) history; 2) organizational structure; 3) budget appropriations; 4) staffing; 5) evaluation focus; and 6) evaluation findings.

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<sup>1</sup> Exhibits and other materials referenced in these minutes can be inspected and copied in the Legislative Information Center in Room 230 of the State House in Indianapolis, Indiana. Requests for copies may be mailed to the Legislative Information Center, Legislative Services Agency, 200 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2789. A fee of \$0.15 per page and mailing costs will be charged for copies. These minutes are also available on the Internet at the General Assembly homepage. The URL address of the General Assembly homepage is <http://www.ai.org/legislative/>. No fee is charged for viewing, downloading, or printing minutes from the Internet.

LSA provided copies of the presentation to the Committee (Exhibit #1) which described the report, and also provided additional information regarding the following items: 1) traffic patrol; 2) criminal investigation; 3) laboratory analysis; and 4) areas for additional study.

### **III. Indiana State Police**

The Chair then introduced Melvin J. Carraway, Superintendent of the ISP, who was present to discuss the mission and future of the organization. Superintendent Carraway began by thanking LSA for its study, and stated that the mission of the ISP entails much more than handing out traffic violations.

Superintendent Carraway discussed the following items: 1) localized and community-based problems; 2) cooperation with local law enforcement authorities in planning and action; 3) laboratory services; and 4) gaming enforcement. The Superintendent provided handouts (Exhibit #2) to the Committee and additional information regarding the following items: 1) communication technology; 2) organizational structure; 3) retiree and active employee benefits; 4) motor carrier inspector training; and 5) crash scene injuries.

### **IV. Committee Discussion**

The Chair allowed Committee discussion and public testimony regarding LSA's presentation and Superintendent Carraway's testimony. The following items were then addressed by the Committee with input from the audience: 1) laboratory funds; 2) staffing; 3) enforcement and administrative duty hours; 4) Indiana and State House security; 5) funding for a statewide, integrated voice and data communications system; and 6) disability compensation.

The Chair asked that the ISP be prepared to provide information for an in depth discussion regarding items 4 through 6 during the next meeting.

### **IV. Final Business and Adjournment**

The Chair scheduled the next meeting for October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M. in Room 233 of the State House. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.